

TRANSPORTATION MEN CONFER HERE

Coastwise Freight Situation at
This Port Discussed
at Length.

CHESAPEAKE & OHIO GOING AFTER MORE BUSINESS

Edwin Hawley Proposes to Make
Newport News One of the Greatest
Ports on Atlantic Coast—Three
Steamship Companies and Kana-
wha Dispatch Represented.

Officials of the Chesapeake & Ohio
Railway Company, the Kanawha Dis-
patch, the Merchants & Miners
Transportation Company, the Old Do-
minion Steamship Company and the
Clyde Line held an important confer-
ence yesterday in the office of Super-
intendent of Terminals E. J. Ford. The
conference lasted the greater part of
the entire day, the coastwise freight
situation at this port being the prin-
cipal topic for discussion.

After the conference ended late in
the afternoon, the officials said that
there was nothing to give out for pub-
lication. However, they said that the
matter of the handling of the freight
brought to and carried from this port
by the three coastwise steamship
companies was gone over carefully,
the object being to improve, if pos-
sible, the traffic service.

Coastwise Business Increasing.
During the past three or four years
the coastwise freight business at this
port has been constantly on the in-
crease and the prospects for the com-
ing year are brighter than ever be-
fore. The Chesapeake & Ohio, under
the new management, is going in for
increased coastwise as well as for-
eign business, it being the intention
of Edwin Hawley to make Newport
News one of the greatest ports on the
Atlantic seaboard. Already this
port has taken rank over all other
American ports in the shipment of
coal, ranking second only to Cardiff,
the leading coal port of the world.

Besides building up and increasing
the coal trade, the officials of the
road are now going in to build up
both the coastwise and foreign trades
and the prediction already has been
made that in a few years this port
will have an even greater commerce
than it enjoyed ten years ago.

Conference Was Unheralded.
Yesterday's conference was un-
heralded and it created considerable
discussion in shipping circles. Until
the conference ended, no one except
those participating, seemed to know
what it was all about. The officials
of the steamship companies arrived
here early yesterday morning and
spent or more after breakfast look-
ing over the property of their com-
panies at this port. The Chesapeake
& Ohio and Kanawha Dispatch of-
ficials arrived at 10:30 o'clock on the
fast train from the West. They were
met at the depot by the steamship of-
ficials and the party immediately re-
tired to the office of Superintendent
Ford.

Officials Attending Conference.
Those attending the conference
were: W. M. Wattaker, of Richmond,
general traffic manager of the Ches-
apeake & Ohio; H. C. Hathaway, of St.
Louis, general agent of the Kanawha
Dispatch; S. E. Beckley, of New York,
general Eastern agent of the Ka-
nawha Dispatch; Thornton Lewis, of
Cincinnati, general western agent of
the Kanawha Dispatch; R. A. T. Walker,
of Boston, general New England agent
of the Kanawha Dispatch; F. J. Je-
fers, of Chicago, agent of the Kanawha
Dispatch; Claim Agent Standard, of
the Chesapeake & Ohio; Traffic Man-
ager Woodree, of the Old Dominion
Steamship Company; John Nichol, of
New York, freight claim agent of the
Old Dominion Steamship Company;
W. H. Landon, local agent of the Old
Dominion Steamship Company; Gen-
eral Manager Raymond, of the Clyde
Steamship Company; Traffic Man-
ager Maynard, of the Clyde Steamship
Company; James McCarrick, general
Southern agent of the Clyde Steam-
ship Company; William G. Pritchard,
local agent of the Clyde Steamship
Company; C. F. Hopkins, freight traf-
fic manager of the Merchants & Min-
ers Transportation Company; T. H.
Smith, general agent of the Merchants
& Miners Transportation Company;
L. P. Coris, superintendent of agents
of the Merchants & Miners Trans-
portation Company; and Frank
Briggs, local agent of the Merchants
& Miners Transportation Company,
and J. P. Harrison, general foreman
of piers for the Chesapeake & Ohio
Railway Company.

W. T. Moss Appointed.
Judge T. J. Barham has appointed
W. T. Moss, justice of the peace for
the third ward, to succeed Y. C.
Powell, who resigned several weeks
ago.

See Reynolds Brothers' Ad. Extra
good values in Real Estate. 27-1

Cook With Gas.

SOCIAL-PERSONAL.

Miss Louise Clarke, who has been
spending the Easter holidays with
relatives in this city, has returned to
the State Female Institute at Farm-
ville.

The Sigma Sigma Club will give a
dance at the Pocahontas hotel next
Thursday evening. The dance will be
followed by a dinner at the club
rooms in the First National Bank
building.

Miss Edith Haynes has returned
from a visit to relatives in Rich-
mond.

Mr. Frank Adams, who has been
visiting relatives in Richmond, has
returned home.

Mrs. E. J. Boyer, on Huntington
avenue has as her guest, Miss Gladys
Griffith, of Shenandoah, Va.

Mrs. E. L. Trimyer and little son
are visiting relatives in Richmond.

Mrs. P. B. Smith is ill at her home,
1123 Twenty-seventh street.

Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Steinkamp, of
Baltimore, are the guests of Mr. and
Mrs. W. J. Bright, in this city.

JAILBREAKERS SFEN IN SMALL BOAT IN ROADS

Men Reach Shore and Make Escape
Before Officers Could Get to Them
—Big Reward Offered.

According to information received
at local police headquarters last
night from Norfolk, the two con-
victed negro murderers and the white
highwayman, who escaped from the
Norfolk county jail at Portsmouth
Tuesday night by sawing a hole
through the roof, were seen yesterday
afternoon in a small boat in the low-
er end of Hampton Roads near the
mouth of the Elizabeth river. It is
supposed that they stole a row boat
on the Portsmouth side of the river
in order to get to the Norfolk side.

Persons on shore who saw the jail-
breakers notified the county authori-
ties, but before the officers could
reach the scene, the men had rowed
to shore near Lambert's Point and
escaped. All three of the men have
worked on the docks at this port and
Norfolk and it is the theory of the
police that they will try to ship on
some outgoing vessel either here or
at Lambert's Point or Sewall's Point.

Sheriff Cromwell, of Norfolk coun-
ty, has offered a reward of \$500 for
the capture of the men. The men
are: Thomas Noel, a ginger colored
negro, five feet, eight inches tall,
black eyes and hair and weight
about 160 pounds. This man shot
and killed Deputy Sheriff Sykes, of
Norfolk county. The other negro is
Elish Rouse, five feet, eight and one-
half inches tall, very black color,
black eyes and hair, twenty-eight
years old. He also killed a man. The
third one is Thomas Nelson, a white
sailor, reddish face, brown hair and
beard, weight about 150 pounds.

Every man on the local police force
is keeping a close lookout for the
men and they undoubtedly will be ar-
rested if they come to this city.

COLLECTOR OF CUSTOMS IS NOT YET APPOINTED

Candidates Expected Home Today and
It is Rumored the Nomination
Won't Be Made This Week.

President Taft has not yet made
the nomination of a collector of cus-
toms at this port and it was rumored
yesterday that the appointment will
not be made until next week. This
rumor is given credence because of the
fact that the Republican State leaders
are to attend a banquet at Norfolk to-
night and the President is not likely
to name a man in their absence from
Washington.

That the fight is not yet settled is
certain and it is said that Captain J.
E. B. Stuart and John B. Locke, the
"surviving" candidates, are having a
neck and neck race. Mr. Locke has
the endorsement of the State, district
and local organizations and his
friends say this combination will be
hard to beat.

Both Mr. Locke and Captain Stuart
and their friends, who have been in
Washington since last Thursday, are
expected to return home today. They
will hardly remain after the exodus
of the State leaders for Norfolk.

James D. Bohlen, the defeated
aspirant for the postmastership, re-
turned yesterday from Washington.
He declared that there was absolutely
no truth in the report that either he
or his friends will fight the con-
firmation of Postmaster Hopkins on
the floor of the senate.

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JUST ESCAPED POSSES

Negro Arrested Here Narrowly
Missed Lynching.

TURNED OVER TO SHERIFF

Emanuel Patterson, Negro, Will be
Taken Back to South Carolina for
Trial on Charge of Attempting to
Assault Two White Girls.

Deputy Sheriff J. B. Martin, of An-
son, N. C., arrived here yesterday
morning and took Emanuel Patterson,
a negro, back to Anson to stand trial
on the charge of attempting to
criminally assault two girls of Wades-
boro, N. C. Patterson was arrested
here several days ago by Patrolman
Parrish, assisted by Detective Ser-
geant Henry Bridges. Patterson
consented to return to North Caro-
lina without requisition papers.

Upon his arrival here, Deputy
Sheriff Martin took the local police
that for sometime after the negro
committed the crime it was thought
that he had been lynched by one of
the posesses that started in pursuit of
him. Patterson, it is charged, was
riding along the country road on
horse back when he met the two
girls driving in a buggy. He made
them drive out of the road twice by
driving his horse across the front of
the one they were driving, it being
his intention to compel them to leave
the highway. Being unsuccessful in
this he dismounted and grabbed the
horse by the bridle, stopping him.

The girls immediately set up a cry
for help and before the negro could
lay hands on the girls, a farmer who
was working in a nearby field, ar-
rived on the scene, the negro running
for his life. A posse was quickly
formed and started out in pursuit of
the negro. The chase led to a near-
by creek and there the posse divided,
one half taking one road and one-
half another. For a time it was
thought that one of the posesses had
caught and lynched the negro, but
several days afterwards it was found
that he had escaped and circulars
asking for his arrest were immedi-
ately sent out, this being in May, 1907.

The arrest of Emanuel Patterson re-
sulted from the arrest of his brother,
Pearl Patterson, who was wanted in
North Carolina for feloniously as-
saulting an aged man for the pur-
pose of robbing him. The negro
broke into the man's house at night,
being armed with a heavy stick of
wood. The fact that the man had be-
come very warm during the night and
laid his head toward the foot of the
bed saved his life as the negro
struck across the head of the bed
with the big piece of wood, breaking
both of the man's legs. Patterson es-
caped, but was arrested here a month
ago, taken to North Carolina, tried
and sentenced to eighteen years in
the state penitentiary.

Officer Parrish Locates Fugitive.
After the arrest of Pearl Patterson,
the local police learned that his
brother, Emanuel Patterson had been
living in this city since May, 1907,
under the name of Dumas. However,
after his brother's arrest, Emanuel
left town, but returned ten days ago,
 Patrolman Parrish learned of his re-
turn and where he could be found and
set out for the negro's room in the
home of J. W. Pruden, on Twenty-
fourth street. On the way he was re-
sisted by Sergeant Bridges.

When the two officers reached the
house they found Patterson lying in
a room almost paralyzed from the ef-
fects of whiskey. They dragged him
out of the house and took him to the
police station. Sheriff Martin, of
Anson county, was notified of the ar-
rest and he sent his deputy here for
the man.

PLAYS SOLDIERS SATURDAY.

Athletic North End Team Will Pull
Off Benefit Game at Casino.

A picked nine of the North End and
Athletics teams will meet the Fort
Monroe Peninsula League nine in an
exhibition game at the Casino park
Saturday afternoon. The game will
begin promptly at 2 o'clock and the
proceeds will be used to defray the
expenses of buying new canvas, re-
pairing the grand stand and fixing up
the diamond.

Simpson will pitch for the picked
team and Bryan will be behind the
bat. McClure, Stuart, O'Hara and
Patton will be in the infield, while
Nessen, Blanford, Monaghan and
several other players will take turns
in the outfield.

Special Boat From Norfolk.

In an advertisement that appears
in this paper today, the Norfolk and
Portsmouth Traction Company calls
attention to the fact that it will have
a special steamer from Pine Beach to
Newport News each night after the
Spielgartenfest at the Norfolk Acad-
emy of Music, to be presented Thurs-
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Vaudeville and Pictures

Chester D'Amore continues to aston-
ish the Academy audiences with his
feats of "mind reading or psychomo-
ny." Last night was the most suc-
cessful since he opened his engage-
ment here and he answered all sorts
of questions. The usual rule is for
the person desiring information to
write the questions and retain them,
but every once in a while, it is claim-
ed, some one is started to receive
an answer to a question that was
only thought of and never written
down.

New acts come to the Academy to-
night, among them being Ollie Dil-
worth, said to be very clever both as
a comedian and as a musician.

Master Edward Howard offers a
singing and dancing number and mo-
tion pictures will complete the Acad-
emy bill.

REMARKABLE EXHIBITION.

"Prof." Neuman Astonishes the Na-
tives Across the Roads.

"Prof." Neuman, who has been
booked by Manager Bell as the star
attraction for the Bell theater next
week, and who is appearing this week
at a Portsmouth house, gave what
the Norfolk papers describe as a most
astounding exhibition of his powers
Tuesday.

A committee, headed by Mayor
Reed, drove over a circuitous route to
a drug store some distance from the
center of the city, and hid a knife in
the rear of the store. The Norfolk
Landmark says of this feature of the
exhibition:

"When the committee returned a
different carriage was ordered, and
Neuman, blindfolded, ascended the
box with the driver and handled the
lines. The committee, occupying the
carriage, noticed with some amaze-
ment that the carriage was following
generally the same route they had
traveled on the first trip. Arriving
at Booth's drug store he got down
from the carriage and without hesi-
tation walked to the rear of the store
and began looking in the compart-
ments of the prescription case. It
wasn't long before he found the knife
hidden behind some prescription files.
The knife had been hidden by Mayor
Reed, who had gone to some trouble
to put it in a well hidden, though
easily accessible place."

Manager Bell expects to invite
Mayor Jones and a committee to
make a test of Neuman's powers when
he comes here next week.

Byrne Wins Suit.
William Byrne was awarded dam-
ages in the sum of \$100 against the
Postal Telegraph Company by Judge
Barham in the Corporation Court
Tuesday. The case grew out of the
delay in delivering a telegram to the
plaintiff.

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MID-SUMMER WEATHER PREVAILED YESTERDAY

Mercury Climbed to Eighty-seven and
Nearly Everybody Shed Their
Winter Clothes.

Mid-summer weather prevailed in
this city and section yesterday, the
weather being the hottest experienced
here in any March during the past
few years. The mercury began climb-
ing early in the morning and shortly

after noon the thermometers along
Washington avenue registered around
87 degrees.

Spring began only nine days ago,
but thus far there has been but little
real spring weather, summer heat be-
ing the order of the time. It is de-
cidedly early for such hot weather as
that experienced yesterday and there
are many who fear that damage will
be done to some of the crops as it is
expected that very cool weather will
be experienced in April.

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